## 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 SALLY NORVAL, CASE NO. C17-0704JLR 10 ORDER GRANTING AMENDED Plaintiff, 11 MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS v. COUNSEL 12 METROPOLITAN LIFE 13 INSURANCE COMPANY, et al., 14 Defendants. 15 Before the court is Karolyn Hicks's amended motion to withdraw as counsel for 16 Interpleader Counter-Defendant Janine Haug. (Am. Mot. (Dkt. # 23).) Local Civil Rule 17 83.2(b)(1) provides that unless there is a change of counsel within the same law firm, an 18 attorney may withdraw from representation only by leave of court. Local Rules W.D. 19 Wash. LCR 83.2(b)(1). "Leave shall be obtained by filing a motion or a stipulation and 20 proposed order for withdrawal . . . . " Id. The court will ordinarily permit an attorney to 21

withdraw until 60 days before the discovery cut-off. Id. A motion for withdrawal "shall

22

include a certification that the motion was served on the client and opposing counsel." Id. In addition, if the attorney's withdrawal will leave a party unrepresented, the motion must include that party's address and telephone number. *Id*. Ms. Hicks and the firm Stokes Lawrence, P.S. move to withdraw as counsel of record for Ms. Haug. (See Am. Mot. at 1.) Because the amended motion complies with the requirements for attorney withdrawal set forth in Local Civil Rule 83.2(b), the court GRANTS the amended motion to withdraw (Dkt. # 23). Dated this 8th day of September, 2017. R. Plut JAMÉS L. ROBART United States District Judge